

### 삼출성 중이염에서 삼출액의 점도에 따른 조성의 차이

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### Compositional Difference of Middle Ear Effusion according to Viscosity of the Effusion

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## ABSTRACT

**Background and Objectives :** Serous otitis media (SOM) is usually responsive to medical treatment, whereas mucoid otitis media (MOM) is not. This study was undertaken to elucidate the compositional difference between serous and mucoid effusion, and to investigate whether *MUC5AC* acts as a major mucin in the middle ear mucosa with MOM. **Materials and Methods :** Middle ear effusion (MEE) samples were collected from 29 patients with MOM and 20 patients with SOM. The level of mucin, lysozyme, secretory IgA and interleukin-8 were measured by dot blotting or enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay. Periodic acid-Schiff and immunohistochemical staining with monoclonal anti-*MUC5AC* antibody were performed on the serial sections of middle ear mucosa with MOM. **Results :** Mucoid effusions contained higher levels of mucin, lysozyme, secretory IgA and interleukin-8 than serous effusion. Immunohistological study revealed that *MUC5AC* mucin was expressed in only a small portion of the goblet cells of middle ear mucosa with MOM. **Conclusion :** Our study suggests that both serous secretions and mucin might make the middle ear effusion more viscous, and that mucins other than *MUC5AC* might have a major role in the viscosity of MEE. Further study is necessary to identify the major mucins in the MEE of otitis media with effusion. (Korean J Otolaryngol 2001;44:124-8)

**KEY WORDS** : Otitis media with effusion (OME) · Mucin · Lysozyme · Interleukin-8 · *MUC5AC*.

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secretory IgA(sIgA)<sup>4)</sup>  
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IL - 8

slgA dot blotting

IL - 8 enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) (R & D System, Minneapolis, MN, USA) (a generous gift from Dr. Davis, University of North Carolina, NC, USA)

(Sigma, St. Louis, MO, USA) slgA (Sigma, St. Louis, MO, USA)

H6C5 (1 : 1000, a generous gift from Dr. Davis, University of North Carolina, NC, USA)

ra - bbit anti - serum (1 : 1000, Dako, Capenteria, USA)

slgA goat anti - serum (1 : 1000, Cappel, Durham, NC, USA)

ELISA

horseradish peroxidase conjugated goat anti - mouse IgG anti - rabbit IgG, chemiluminescence (ECL kit, Amersham, Buckinghamshire, UK)

Standard curve linear regression analysis

slgA

western blot

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student's t - test

periodic acid Schiff (PAS)

*MUC5AC*

Papallera type

(promontory)

PAS

*MUC5AC*

LSB

(Laemmli sample buffer, pH 7.6, 4% SDS)

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antiserum

(anti - mouse, 1 : 100, NeoMarkers Inc., Ferment, CA, USA)

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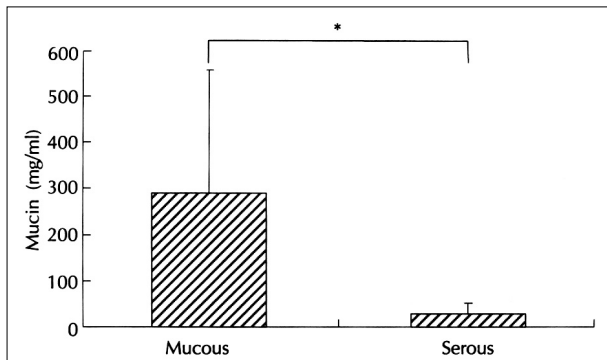
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**Fig. 1.** The level of mucin in middle ear effusion detected by dot-blotting : mucoid vs. serous. We used mucin as an indicator of mucous secretion and the level of mucin in mucoid effusion was 12-fold higher than that in serous effusion. \* : p-value<0.01.

gout anti - mouse antibody) 30  
Diaminobenzidine(Dako, Copenhagen, Denmark)  
, hematoxylin

#### Dot blotting

287.9 ± 272.4 mucin standard equivalents(mg)/  
ml 24.25 ± 16.0 mucin standard equi -  
valents(mg)/ml (p<0.01)(Fig. 1).

slgA  
35.0 ± 39.2 mg/ml  
가 5.3 ± 2.50 mg/ml  
(p<0.01)(Fig. 2A). slgA  
48.4 ± 41.0 mg/ml  
8.9 ± 6.3 mg/ml (p<0.01)(Fig. 2B).

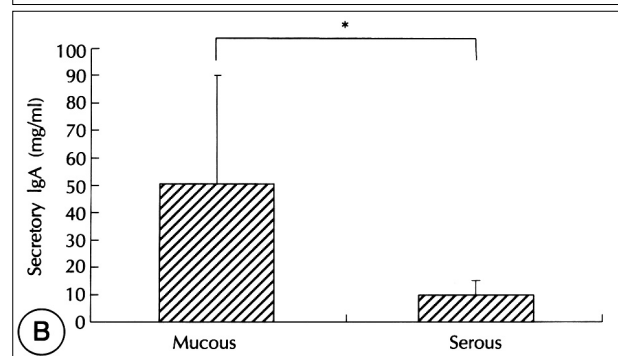
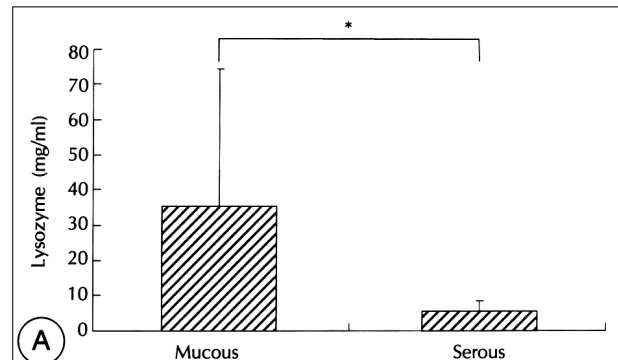
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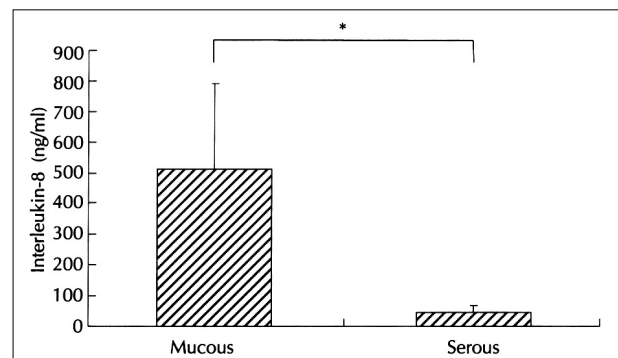
ELISA 519.1 ±  
260.5 ng/ml IL - 8 , 38.6 ±  
37.6 ng/ml (p<0.01)  
(Fig. 3).

MUC5AC

PAS  
(Fig. 4A)



**Fig. 2.** The level of lysozyme (A) and secretory IgA (B) in middle ear effusion detected by dot-blotting : mucoid vs. serous. We used these levels as indicators of serous secretions. The levels of lysozyme and secreted IgA in mucoid effusion were 7- and 5-fold higher than that in serous effusion, respectively. \* : p-value<0.01.

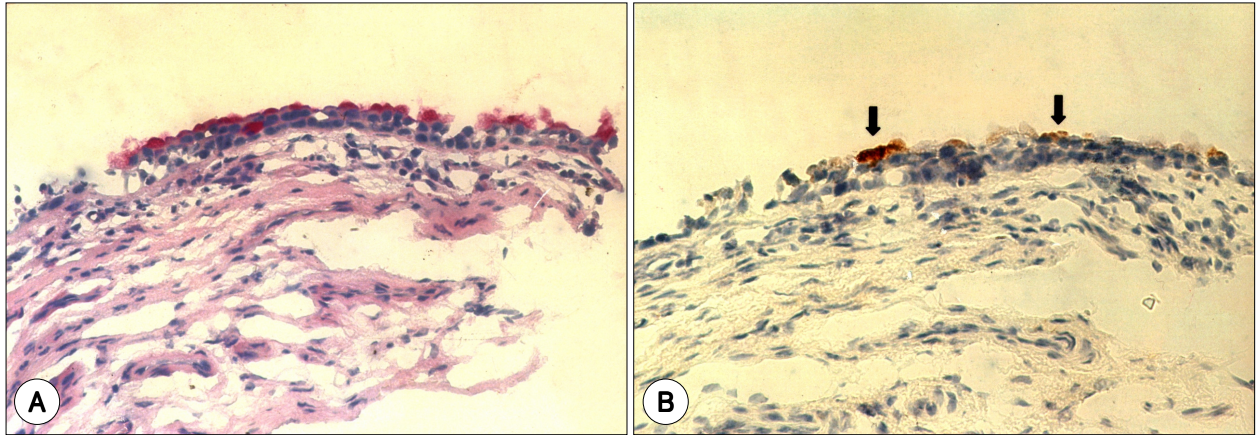


**Fig. 3.** The level of interleukin-8 in middle ear effusions detected by enzymelinked immunosorbent assay : mucoid vs. serous. The level of IL-8 in mucoid effusions was 13-fold higher than that in serous effusion. \* : p-value<0.01.

MUC5AC

(Fig. 4B).

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**Fig. 4.** Periodic acid-Schiff (PAS) staining (A) and MUC5AC immunostaining of middle ear mucosa with mucoid otitis media (B) (original magnification  $\times 200$ ). MUC5AC mucin (arrows) was expressed in only a small portion of the goblet cells (B) confirmed by PAS staining (A).

IL - 8  
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IL - 8 MOM SOM  
MUC1 - MUC4, MUC -  
5AC MUC5B, MUC6 - MUC9, MUC11, UC12 127가  
MUC5AC MUC -  
5B가  
Lin 15) MUC2 가  
Moon 16) passage - 2  
MUC1, MUC2, MUC5AC MUC5B  
mRNA가 Hutton 17)  
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